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WHOLE NO. 612

Carpenters 925 Elect Officers; To Meet July 7

Election of officers was completed by Salinas Carpenters Union 925 last week with incumbents returned to key offices with exception of Tom Mill, president, who was not candidate for re-election.

Next meeting of Carpenters Union 925 will be held on Friday night, July 7, at Carpenters Hall in Salinas. This new time was necessary because the regular meeting would have been on Fourth of July, a holiday.

At the July 7 meeting, which is a quarterly meeting for the union, new officers will be installed and a vote will be taken on a resolution which has been proposed to increase assessment for non-attendance at meetings to \$5.00, it was reported.

Elected were:

President: Herbert Nelson.

Vice President: Russell Jeska.

Financial Secretary and Business Agent: Harvey Baldwin.

Recording Secretary: A. O. Miller.

Treasurer: O. O. Little.

Warden: Jess Stevens.

Conductor: Frank Summerall.

Trustee: Don Halcomb.

MARTINS SETS OFFICE HOURS FOR B-T WORK

John R. Martins, new business agent for the Monterey County Building Trades Council, has announced his office hours in Monterey and in Salinas, where he has become established in his new offices.

Martins will be in the Monterey office each Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 to 9 a.m., and in the Salinas office each Thursday and Friday, 8 to 9 a.m.

The Monterey office is still at Bartenders Hall, 315 Alvarado St., telephone 5-6774, and the Salinas office has been established in the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., telephone 2-1603.

Martins said he is available to assist any building trades union in the county in every manner possible. Union officials wishing his help should contact him at either office at times listed above.

Last Friday, Martins was called to Monterey at request of a union official to check on a job where J. C. McGranahan, Santa Cruz, is contractor. The business agent praised McGranahan for co-operation in the minor dispute.

Barmen Cancel July 3 Meeting

Bartenders Union 545 of Salinas will not meet on Monday, July 3, as scheduled because of the Independence Day holiday, according to Union Secretary A. J. Clark.

At the union's last meeting, Clark's membership in Office Employees Union 94, which he joined because he is doing office work for the union, was approved by the membership.

Cops in Riot Drills

Detroit.—Riot drills, designed to handle strikers and racial clashes, are being scheduled for 3000 Detroit cops by the new Police Commissioner George F. Boos.



DRINK MILK TO AGREEMENT—Management and union negotiators drink a toast in milk after members of the Int'l. Bro. of Teamsters (AFL) voted to end an 8-day strike in Washington, D. C. Raising their glasses are (l. to r.): Employer spokesmen, Francis Sheehan and M. H. Burchell and IBT representatives, Charles Fuller and Eugene Hubbard.

Butchers 506 Shifts Meetings Due to Holiday

Meetings of the Salinas and Monterey divisions of Butchers Union 506 have been changed for July because of the Fourth of July holidays. Business Agent E. L. Courtwright announced.

The schedule will be as follows: Salinas meeting—changed to Thursday night, July 6, at Salinas Carpenters Hall, 422 N. Main St. (This meeting was shifted from Monday, July 3).

Monterey meeting—changed to Thursday night, July 13, at Eagles Hall, 685 Lighthouse Ave., New Monterey. (This meeting was shifted from Tuesday, July 4).

The Watsonville meeting, scheduled for Wednesday night, July 5, at Watsonville Temple, will be held as originally scheduled, Courtwright said.

District Body Of Carpenters Meets July 10

Meeting of the new Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters will be held at the Miramar Grill in Watsonville on Monday, July 10, instead of on July 11 as originally announced, according to James T. Mann, business agent of Watsonville Carpenters Union 771, host local to the council session.

Joseph Cambiano, president of the California State Council of Carpenters, is expected to be present for the meeting, third for the new council, which includes carpenter unions in Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey and King City.

Carpenter Dies

James Jamison, member of Carpenters Union 925 of Salinas for nearly 15 years, passed away last Wednesday night, following a heart attack. He had been ill for some time. Brother Jamison was a foreman for F. V. Hampshire, general contractor at Salinas. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Anne Jamison.

Canada Chrysler Pact

Windsor, Ont.—The new 2-year contract between the Chrysler Corp. of Canada and the United Auto Workers carries gains of 11½ cents an hour, of which 6 cents is in cash. Hospital and medical insurance, vacation pay and other benefits total 5½ cents.

CORRECTION Union Houses In Santa Cruz Are Announced

An error in an announcement last week of union houses in Santa Cruz, where Culinary-Bartenders Union 345 is picketing eleven hotels, restaurants and bars, listed picketed houses as union, Mrs. Mildred Rowe, secretary of Local 345 pointed out.

Following are the PICKETED places:

Palomar Hotel (Restaurant and Bar), 1344 Pacific Ave.; Roudell's Cafe (also Bar), 1349 Pacific Ave.; Main Coffee Shop, 1508 Pacific Ave.; St. George Hotel (Restaurant and Bar), 1520 Pacific Ave.; Manhattan Restaurant (also Bar), 1541 Pacific Ave.; Avenue Grill, 698 Pacific Ave.; Santa Cruz Hotel (Restaurant and Bar), Vine and Locust Sts.; Casa Del Ray Hotel (Restaurant and Bar), Cliff and Beach Sts.; Wishing Well Restaurant, 303 Beach St.; Ideal Fish Restaurant, Municipal Wharf; Colonial Inn, 1602 Ocean St.

These house are UNION and UNDER CONTRACT to Local 345: Asti Cafe, 715 Pacific Ave.; Ace Club, 821 Pacific Ave.; Clover Club 909½ Pacific Ave.; The Arrow Cafe, 1003 Pacific Ave.; Bowl Fountain Lunch, 1011 Pacific Ave.; Club Aloha, 1218 Pacific Ave.; 5&10 Liquors, Laurel and Pacific Ave.; Kon's Cafe, 2019 N. Pacific Ave.; Farmer's Elbow Room, 14 Cathcart St.; Club Del Mar, 107 Soquel Ave.; Buckhorn Bar, 117 Soquel Ave.; Curley's Repeal Bar, 121 Soquel Ave.; Sky Room, 11 Pearl Alley; Vic's Rio Club, 249 Cooper St.

Beachcomber Club, 529 Beach St.; Club El Rocco, 607 Beach St.; 10&15 Club, 311 Water St.; Tampico Kitchen, 107 Riverside Ave.; Four-Forty-Four Club, 413 Seagrave Ave.; Eastside Bar & Cafe, 1007 Soquel Ave.; The Senator Club, 1834 Soquel Ave.; Santa Cruz Fisheries, Municipal Wharf; Stagnaro Bros. Sea Food, Municipal Wharf; The Patio, Capitola; Capitola Beach Club, Capitola; Edgewater Club, Capitola; Mom's Kupboard, Old Highway, near Soquel; The Clearing, Camp Evers.

Most cabbage seed used in the United States is obtained from plants grown on the Pacific coast because that area is better suited for cabbage seed production.

LABOR COUNCIL AT SALINAS BEGINS ANNUAL ELECTIONS; BALLOTING SET FOR FRIDAY

Annual election of officers of the Monterey Council Central Labor Union, at Salinas, will be held this Friday night, with final nominations and actual balloting set for the same meeting, according to Secretary Alfred J. Clark.

The council cancelled its meeting last Friday night because of the California Rodeo celebrations in Salinas. Nominations were opened at the meeting of June 16.

At the June 16 meeting the council was saddened by reports of the death of Albert A. Harris, former council president and president of General Teamsters Union 890 of Monterey County. Tribute was paid to Bro. Harris' memory at conclusion of the council meeting.

Nominations, as listed by Secretary Clark, show incumbent President Jimmie Butler not nominated for re-election. Few contests were indicated by first nominations. Nominations thus far are:

For President: R. E. Woods.

For Vice President: Harvey Baldwin.

For Secretary-Treasurer: Alfred J. Clark.

For Sergeant-at-Arms: Roy Hearn.

For Trustee: Jimmie Butler and Robert Shinn.

For Organizing Committee: R. E. Woods, A. J. Clark, Harvey Baldwin.

For Press Committee: Lillian Johnson, A. J. Clark, Alfred Plopa.

For Building Trades Committee: Harvey Baldwin, Karl Ozols, Peter Greco, J. B. McGinley, Roy Hearn, Ivan Miller, Earl John, J. Lindeman and John F. Mattos.

For Negotiating Committee: Peter Greco, A. J. Clark, Karl Ozols.

For Resolutions Committee: R. E. Woods, Randolph Fenchel, A. J. Clark, Peter Greco.

Byrnes Draws Fat Federal Pension Too

Like General Eisenhower, Jimmy Byrnes of South Carolina has been bawling the "welfare state" and Federal aid programs ever since he joined the Dixiecrats last year.

Also like Eisenhower, he is a recipient of a fat Federal pension check each month. He doesn't do as well as the General, but Byrnes' \$6,367.08 a year is better than most old age pensioners in South Carolina get from Uncle Sam or anyone else. In fact Would-be Governor Byrnes' pension is almost three times what the average worker earns each year in South Carolina.

His monthly pension check is for services rendered as Representative, Senator, Secretary of State, Supreme Court Justice and War Mobilizer.

Cooperation Spreads

Geneva, Switzerland.—Labor and management cooperation at the factory level is increasing, the International Labor Office reports.

In a survey of world-wide developments in industrial relations prepared for its 33rd Assembly meeting the organization said: "The practice of fixing terms and conditions of employment by means of collective agreements is spreading steadily."

In April 1950 the wholesale price index jumped 2.4 percent over the previous month.

Nominations List Contests For Local 483

Completion of nominations for the annual election of officers for Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 of Monterey last week resulted in contests for financial secretary and business agent, chaplain, guard and trustee posts.

Secretary-Business Agent George L. Rice is opposed for re-election by Steve ("Red Dwaine") Smario, who held this post several years ago.

Election of officers is scheduled by Local 483 at its headquarters, 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, all day Tuesday, July 11. The meeting of July 5 will be held as usual, despite change in the election date.

On the ballot are:

For President: Robert Harrington (incumbent).

For Vice President: Wayne Cantu (incumbent), and Steve Smario.

For Recording Secretary: Adele Shaw.

For Chaplain: George Adams and Forrest Ward.

For Inspector: Crystal Ross.

For Guard: Helen Peak and Hettybell Fell.

For Trustees: Earl Meyers, Bill Case, Edna Cook, Dorothy Heury, Tommy Nowell, Robert Cox, Al Moraz, Ralph Hallmark.

For Labor Council Delegates: Edward Monohan and John Schlitt.

Mont. Carpenter Union Elects New Officers

Officers for the coming year term were elected last week by Carpenters Union 1323 of Monterey with incumbents returned to office in most instances. Installation will be at the meeting on Monday, July 3.

Thomas Eide, business agent for the union, serves under an appointment and was not up for election but continues automatically in office.

Those elected include:

President: Grover Bethards.

Vice President: William E. Booker.

Financial secretary: Dale L. Ward.

Recording secretary: Leo Thiltjen.

Treasurer: W. A. Dickerson.

Local 483 Rejects Contract Proposal

Offer of employers in regard a new contract was rejected by secret vote last week at special meetings of Culinary Alliance and Bartenders Union 483, it was reported.

The union's negotiating committee was instructed to continue efforts for improvements to the contract. Vote to strike in event of breakdown in negotiations was taken by the union also.

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Ask Cabinet Rank In Health, Security

(AFL Release)

Washington—The AFL urged Congress to adopt President Truman's government reorganization plan to make Federal Security Agency the Department of Health, Education and Security with its head to be a member of the Cabinet.

Nelson H. Cruikshank, director AFL Social Insurance Activities, told the House Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department that FSA now exceeds several existing cabinet departments in personnel and volume of expenditures.

"The far-flung interests and size of this agency, while they may be a cause of concern to some, indicate to the common people of this country the interest on the part of their government in the welfare of its citizens," Mr. Cruikshank said.

"By this I do not mean that working people expect the federal government to provide for their every need. They do believe, however, that it is appropriate for an agency of government to implement the American ideal that each individual should have an equal chance in the effort to make his own way to provide for the needs of himself and his family."

Mr. Cruikshank pointed out the plan guarantees the separate identity under competent professional persons of the Public Health, Social Security Administration and Office of Education.

Meanwhile the Senate voted for the bill to expand the coverage and benefits of the social security system. A bill more liberal in these respects than that passed by the House last October was approved by the Senate. The measure goes to conference.

The AFL urged a higher wage base, raised from \$3,000 to \$3,600, for computing social security credits and a federal disability insurance plan to provide benefits for workers ill or injured.

Big Daily Is Struck

New York.—The combination of hundreds of CIO pickets and solidarity of AFL printing trades workers forced the New York World-Telegram & Sun, Scripps-Howard newspaper, to suspend publication.

Oregon AFL Tells Secy. to Get Well

Portland, Ore.—One of the most unusual "get-well-quick cards ever carried in an Oregon mail pouch was received here by Gust Anderson, veteran secretary of the Portland Central Labor Council.

It was postmarked LaGrande, Ore., where the State Federation of Labor is in session, and was personally signed by over 100 delegates.

Anderson, a delegate to the annual conclave for 32 years and holder of the record for attending more conservative sessions than anyone else, missed out this year because of an infected foot which kept him bedridden for many weeks.

The doctors recommended amputation, but Anderson refused the advice "because I needed that foot to walk up the Labor Temple steps to my office," he said. The spirit that took him to 32 conventions is bringing him back to health without the operation.

Dubinsky Hits Soviets

New York.—David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, denounces Russian despotism and condemns those Americans who take their many blessings for granted, in a striking article in the July issue of Liberty magazine.

Born in Tsarist Russia, Mr. Dubinsky was exiled to Siberia at the age of 16, for persisting in associating himself with those working people striving for recognition. He knows from personal experience the "abominable form of society forced on the people by the Tsarist tyranny."

Attend union meetings — your union is your best friend.

DIVERSIFIED FARMING



Green Calls Single Labor Group 'Must'

Grand Rapids, Mich.—AFL President William Green told the Michigan State Federation of Labor that "there must be a single united labor movement in this country" if organized labor is to surmount its most serious problems.

Speaking at the Michigan Federation's annual banquet, Mr. Green said:

"Many of the most serious problems we face today can be traced to the lack of unity in the ranks of labor. As Samuel Gompers taught us, unity is labor's greatest asset. A divided labor movement cannot exert the economic and political power necessary to cope with the efforts to reactionary big business interests to restrain the progress of the nation's workers."

"I say to you here and now that there is no valid or justifiable reason to prolong disunity in the organized labor movement of America."

"In order to protect the interests of the nation's workers effectively, there should be and there must be a single, united labor movement in this country. I am happy to inform you that the American Federation of Labor is doing everything in its power to promote peace and unity in our trade union movement."

"At its recent meeting in Philadelphia, the executive council urged the Congress of Industrial Organizations to name a committee to confer with a like committee representing the American Federation of Labor for the purpose of drafting a plan to bring about organic unity and a merger of the two organizations."

"It is my sincere hope that such conferences will be held in the near future and that they will successfully accomplish the goal we seek—a united labor movement so large and so powerful that those who now boldly challenge us on the economic and political fronts will be forced to retreat."

Lucky Fish Catch

Some fishermen have all the luck!

The 30-inch striped bass caught in Frank's Tract by O. R. Tye of (95 Burton Avenue), San Jose would be ample reward for the average angler.

But Tye's lucky catch also bore a plastic fin tag, placed there by the California Division of Fish and Game. A number corresponding to the returned tag was drawn on Morie Morrison's KGO-TV fishing show recently and brought the two time winner a fibre glass fishing rod worth \$30.

Sportsmen's groups and merchants are currently awarding cash and merchandise prizes to California anglers returning State tags found on salmon, striped bass, kelp bass, and sand bass. In addition, the Division of Fish and Game presents each cooperating fisherman with a commendation card bearing the tags and a brief history of the fish.

Who Needs Homes

Washington.—The greatest need for new housing is among families with incomes of under \$4,000, the larger families, and minority groups, particularly in the large urban areas, according to the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Lowered housing costs without reductions in the size or quality of the house is the greatest need in the field of housing.

Generally, size and quality of housing being built for families of moderate incomes have been reduced to the minimum for livability.

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Salinas Union Directory

BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Labor Temple at 3:30 p.m. Bus. Agt. and Main Office: Cecil Bradford, 896 Bellomy Ave., Santa Clara, phone AXminster 6-3825; office, San Jose Labor Temple, phone CYpress 3-7537.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., J. N. Butler, Jr., 418 Monterey St., phone 4110; Sec.-Treas., N. H. Freeman, 36 W. Alisal St., phone 9782.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone Mont. 2-3002. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, Salinas office, 274 East Alisal, phone 2-1603; Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., Clark Bannert, 1209 1st Ave., phone 2-0720. Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtwright, 1381 Jonathan Ave., San Jose, CYpress 5-3849. Hollister-Gilroy Officers: Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St., Hollister, phone 392; Rec.-Sec., Harold Johnson, Rte. 2, Box 139, Hollister, phone 43F5.

CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR—C. J. Haggerty, Secretary & Legislative Representative, 810 David Hewes Bldg., 995 Market St., San Francisco 3; phone SUtter 1-2838. District Vice-President, Thomas A. Small, office 306 Seventh Ave., San Mateo; phone Diamond 3-6984.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Carpenters Hall. Pres., Tom Mill; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 536 San Benito, phone Salinas 6716. Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 1422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

CARPENTERS 1279 (King City)—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at King City Carpenters Hall. Pres., Floyd Hill; Sec., A. W. Reiger, 411 South San Lorenzo Ave., phone 694W; office phone 197.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd Tuesdays, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Herbert Nelson, 32 Paloma St., phone 5187; sec., Mrs. Frank Wenzinger, 146 Afton Rd., phone 21156; Bus. Agt., Mrs. Lewis Ball, 140 Linden St., phone 4603. Office at Carpenters Hall, 422 N. Main, phone 9293.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m., at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., James N. Butler, Jr., 418 Monterey St., phone 4110; Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 4633.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:30 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles. Office, Glickburg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 6209.

DRY CLEANERS 258-B—Meets 2nd Thursday at 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, at 8 p.m. Pres., Louis Vitali, 664 Terrace St.; Sec., Josephine Jones, 674 E. Market, phone 2-0871; Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA. 1-3336.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesdays, Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Esser, Baldwin Trailer Court, phone 2-3273. Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozols, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2886.

ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesdays, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville Labor Temples, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Derby; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christensen, Rm. 483, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone CYpress 2-6393. Main office, 3004 16th St., San Francisco, phone Underhill 1-1135.

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JOINT EXECUTIVE BOARD, Bartenders 545 and Culinary Alliance 467—Meets 2nd Wednesdays 2 p.m. at Labor Temple. Pres. Bertha A. Boles, phone 6209; Sec., A. J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633.

LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 6939. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., J. B. McGinley, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6777.

LATHERS 122—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple 2nd and 4th Fridays, 8 p.m. Pres., Roy R. Benge, Hillby St., Monterey, phone Monterey 4820. Sec.-Treas., Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, phone 9223. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 2-1603.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 258—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59-1st Ave., Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA. 1-3336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Alex Day, res. 611 Dosco Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St., phone Salinas 9494.

PAINTERS 104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., John I. Warburton, 102½ Conley, phone 3169. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Peter Greco, 38 Marion, phone 2-1509; office, 117 Pajaro phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets 4th Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Nicholas Christier, 502 Lincoln; Sec., C. R. Pendergrass, 210 Dennis, phone 2-1553. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office, 117 Pajaro, phone 2-1603.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m.; (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Carl Littvin; Fin. and Rec. Sec., John W. Drew; Bus. Agt., E. R. Arbuckle. Office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Wednesday, Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Elmer W. Gipe, 1236 Circle Dr., phone 6102; Sec., H. C. Schielke, 636 El Camino Real No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard, 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec., R. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Charles Smith, Box 703, Monterey; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 831 Beach St., Salinas, phone 2-3366. Office, 6 W. Gabilan St., phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Donald King, 106 Irving, Monterey, phone 3014; Sec.-Treas., John Murphy, 616 Elm St., Rt. 1, Monterey.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey, Hawthorne and Prescott streets, and at Salinas at Carpenters Hall, 1422 N. Main St., and at Watsonville and Santa Cruz. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., R. W. Beckenhower, Box 815, Watsonville; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 6744.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karach, 20 Natividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

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THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 811—Meets 1st Tuesday every month at 9:30 a.m. at Watsonville Labor Temple. Pres., Geo. Smith, 1122 Garner St., Salinas; Bus. Agt., James Wilson, 228 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, phone 1216; Sec., Dave Green, P.O. Box 584, Watsonville, phone Watsonville 757.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets last Sunday of month alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., D. R. Harrison. Sec.-Treas., A. C. Davis, 109 Prospect St., Watsonville, phone 9597.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Tuesday at Salinas High Auditorium, 8 p.m. Pres., Albert A. Harris, 247 Paloma; Sec., Peter A. Andrade; Bus. Agt., Wm. G. Kenyon, phone 2-0497. Office, 274 E. Alisal St., Salinas, phone 5743.

Job Seeking Tough For June Graduates

Washington.—Job opportunities for the 1,700,000 young people leaving high school and college this summer have improved in the last few weeks, but the competition will be keen.

The U. S. Labor Department reported that while some fields were overcrowded, 1,000,000 persons are expected to retire from the labor force this year, making room for others.

But the department pointed out there still are more than 3,000,000 persons idle despite a 33 percent drop in unemployment between February and May. It said, however, there has been more than a seasonal increase in manufacturing sales and output in that period.

Socialism?

The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia June 11 reported that American business "is probably as strong or stronger now than at any time in the past three years."

The bank said "the past eight months have witnessed a marked business recovery."

It pointed out that although some corporations reported a decline in income last year, this didn't mean they lost money.

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NLRB Tells New Method Computing Back Pay

Washington.—New policies for calculating back pay to employees illegally discharged for reason of union membership were announced June 14 by the NLRB.

The board said that back pay awards would now be based on quarterly payments. In the past back pay was calculated as a lump sum for the whole period of illegal layoff. It was said that the new method would prevent loss of old age pension credits under the Social Security system. Workers must still demonstrate that they attempted to find work during the layoff.

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EDITORIALS

OUR TROUBLED WORLD

Our world seems filled with trouble. There are a lot of people who busy themselves with telling the rest of us what we should do and worst of all what we should think.

It is not the first time this has happened. History is replete with instances that are of record where one set of individuals undertook to rule first of all the people of their own country and if they got by with that they frequently proceeded to try to subdue their neighbors until horrible war itself was popping.

As a result of this tendency to domineer and lord over others by force and cunning the history of the world is largely a history of war after war. Those who start wars almost invariably blame those they undertake to crush for starting the wars they themselves precipitate.

The purpose of every aggressive war is to take something away from others. It is a resort to pillage and mass murder to subdue others but where clubs formerly served as the weapons of war the wars of today are fought with floating arsenals, air planes and submarines that carry atom bombs and engines of death. So terrible have wars become today that nobody, who engages in them, can help losing more than they possibly can win.

WORLD WANTS PEACE

After two world wars in our own day in which those who won the military decision actually lost the peace that largely failed in each case to follow there are still people who want more war. Instead of enjoying peace today we are in the midst of an armed truce, which has come to be designated as a cold war.

Still the whole world is clamoring for peace. Europe wants no war. Her people have not recovered from the last one they only yesterday were engulfed in. Asia, still panting from resisting and overthrowing conquering overlords, wants nothing so much as peace. Our own America loves peace more than all else.

Yet there are those who are continually goading our people into plunging into another war, whose end, if it comes, no one can foresee. Apparently to soothe us and lull us into a sense of security the warmongers themselves say they want and expect to get peace, but everything they do is heading straight towards war.

If we are to have peace in this world we better begin thinking more seriously of placing people in charge who really want to help establish permanent peace in this world. If the United Nations is to become a genuine instrument of peace it must be permitted to function in that direction.

CANNOT HARNESS THOUGHT

Those who would shape and determine what human beings should think ought to realize by this time that a thinking human mind cannot be harnessed. No matter what rules may be laid down in regard to what must be thought and believed the independent thinker thinks on and out of that thinking has come practically all the progress we have made.

If those who think advanced thoughts are to be hounded and persecuted for their own honest beliefs they, like their predecessors of old, will in self defense go underground with their thinking. They will still continue to think but will not speak their thoughts to everybody.

Time was when death was the penalty of independent thinking. There are people who would like to chain the thoughts of men and women of our day as ruthlessly as was done during the most intolerant epochs of bygone periods. However, no matter how much these totalitarians may want to regulate thinking and beliefs it does not follow that they ever will realize their ambitions. Weak minds may surrender to accepting thinking forced on them but strong minds never.

There was a time when over 90 per cent of the population of California were farmers. Today it is estimated that 71 per cent of our state's population belong to the wage earning class, which places the workers and their families in a position to take a dominant position in practically every election that may be held in California.

That a better and larger life for themselves and their families is the underlying purpose of the millions of workers, who are associated together in labor unions, would probably be generally accepted as correctly stating the chief aim of organized labor.

Low-Paid Losing All Their Savings

(AFL Release)

Washington—The nation's low-income groups are losing ground in their fight to make ends meet.

Income doesn't cover outgo for necessities.

That's the gist of the new economic studies just completed for the Joint Congressional Economic Committee.

Figures show that the lowest two-fifths of all spending units—ranked by size of income—broke even in 1945. But by 1948, these groups were in the process of "dis-saving"—cashing accumulated savings or capital, or borrowing.

Four-fifths of Americans with incomes in 1948 received 53 percent of the total national income but they were able to save only 1 percent of the total net savings for the country.

What about the top one-fifth who received 47 percent of income in 1948? They saved 90 percent of the nation's total net savings.

Furthermore, in 1946, only 37 percent of all spending units were without government savings bonds. By 1949, 56 percent were without them. In other words, a net of about 11 million spending units—families, for the most part—disposed of all the government bonds they owned in the three prosperous years from 1946 to 1949.

And we are living in what Administration opponents choose to call "The Handout State," it is at least, mainly a handout to business, and the proportion is increasing.

The government outlays that went to business totaled at least 13.6 billion dollars in fiscal year 1949, will amount to 16 billion dollars in fiscal 1950, and are estimated at about 16.9 billion dollars in fiscal 1951.

Newsprint Kings Gouge Publishers

Washington.—Charges that U.S. newsprint manufacturers have moved to Canada where they can fix prices legally and are gouging American publishers were voiced June 19 before a House judiciary sub-committee.

John H. Perry, president of the Western Newspaper Union declared that explains the universality of high newsprint prices in this country and the reason that all big companies charge the same price.

"It's also the reason they force most publishers to sign 12-year contracts," the witness continued. "If a publisher refuses, he has to buy his newsprint on the so-called black market at even higher prices."

Perry insisted the reason that American newsprint production has declined in recent years through domestic demand is higher than ever and the U.S. already imports 80% of its newsprint from Canada, is because price fixing is immune from prosecution in the dominion.

Asked by Committee Chairman Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.) whether records of the Canadian companies could be subpoenaed, Perry said, "There is supposed to be a treaty between the U.S. and Canada in which each government agrees to furnish full information on newsprint production but I don't know what's become of it."

"I guess," said Celler, "it will be up to the State Department."

Perry declared there is plenty of pulp wood in the U.S. and American firms could easily meet demand by expanding production facilities. Instead, he said, they are moving production in ever increasing amounts across the border.

Granston William, general manager of the American Newspaper Publishers Association confirmed the crying need for increased production.

In opening the investigation, which is expected to continue several weeks, Celler declared, "when there is a domestic shortage the free press is threatened."

Bits Of Humor

Philosopher—a man who is trying to kid himself into believing that he is happy though poor.

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"Shay, can you tell me where to find Alcoholish Anonymush?"

"Why? Do you want to join?"

"No, wanna resign."

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If you're average, that means you are as close to the bottom as you are to the top.

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"What did you do last summer?"

"I worked in Des Moines."

"Coal or iron?"

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First actress—"Did you notice the audience wept during my death scene?"

Second actress—"Yes. They knew you weren't dead."

—Bona Ventura.

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Jones took his car to a garage for repairs.

"Would you think this was a second hand car?" he proudly asked the mechanic.

"No," replied the mechanic. "I thought you made it yourself."

—New York Times

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She—"How about giving me a diamond bracelet?"

He—"My dear, extenuating circumstances perforce me to preclude you from such an extravagant bauble."

She—"I don't get it."

He—"That's just what I said."

—Capper's Weekly

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Said an envious, erudite ermine, "There's something I cannot determine;

When a dame wears my coat,

She's a lady of note.

When I wear it, I'm but a vermin."

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"What happened?"

"He fell off his wallet!"—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

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—Health Culture.

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Auto Kings In Lavish Parties

Detroit—Extremes of poverty and wealth in the motor capital were illustrated on a single day when Barbara Jean Wilson, auto heiress, had an extravagant coming-out party while over 288 Chrysler and Briggs auto workers suffered garnishee proceedings as an aftermath of the 100-day Chrysler strike.

Barbara, expensively educated in the east, was the center of a double-barreled party thrown by her parents June 15 at their magnificent home outside Detroit. The house has 200 rooms and it stands on 3000 acres of land, equal to about 750 city blocks, roughly covering the same area as Detroit's worst slums.

The dough for this luxury came from the auto workers of Dodge Bros., the plant that became the hard core of the Chrysler Corp.

VERY EXPENSIVE PLAY

The older guests were received by the Alfred G. Wilsons on their Rochester estate from 5 to 7 p.m. while younger gangs made merry from then on to who knows when. Booze for the splurge included 25 cases of champagne. It was authoritatively stated that florists, caterers, gardeners, carpenters and dressmakers worked for months on party preparations.

The hired help for the big affair were fed in the 5-car garage.

The other half of the Detroit story was a deluge of garnishments that is expected to swell to over 1000. Many of the victims never were on strike but were laidoff by the Briggs Mfg. Co. and other suppliers of Chrysler when the auto corporation refused for over 3 months to meet the modest demands of the United Auto Workers (CIO) earlier this year.

Garnishments had been held up by Detroit judges for a moratorium extending to 4 weeks after the strike, which ended May 4. Big

chunks will be taken out of the victims' weekly pay checks until the bills of merchants, professional men and others have been paid.

HUGE FORTUNE

The tremendous fortune the Dodge brothers made out of their auto workers has been spectacularly and sometimes scandalously squandered by the heirs, the family having acted less decorously than any other of the robber barons in the auto industry.

The contrast between rich and poor was carried out even in the menu served by the Wilsons to their guests and to their domestic employees. The guests were offered sweetbread cutlets with sherry sauce, lobster or chicken salad, chicken breasts with glazed pineapple, water lily salad with crabmeat centers and frozen nesselrode pudding. The cheap help got ham, cold turkey, ordinary salad, and the usual ice cream, cake and coffee.

Detroit society editors termed the vulgar display on the Wilson estate "the most lavish party of the season." Process servers of common pleas court termed the garnishments on the poverty stricken auto workers the largest party of their season in that line.

Jail Dairy Strikers

Pittsburgh.—Ten striking dairy workers were jailed in a police crackdown on an AFL strike that has cut off milk and dairy supplies in seven counties.

Anti-Picket Move In Contra Costa Co.

(State Fed. Release)

In a significant legal maneuver, a Contra Costa County service station firm has launched a plan to obtain an injunction against peaceful picketing under conditions that have heretofore been ruled as legal in California.

The Barnes Brothers service station in Pinole was recently picketed by the Teamsters Union for refusal to organize. The firm filed a suit in Contra Costa County against the picketing, and a restraining order was issued. A visiting judge heard the order to show cause.

In the company's legal argument it was claimed that Section 923 of the State Labor Code prevents a union from picketing for a closed shop where the union does not have members employed by the particular employer.

The plaintiff's attorney cited a decision of the State of Washington which construed a similar statute of that state against the unions and where under such statute an injunction was issued against picketing. The Washington case went to the U. S. Supreme Court which held that if such were the rule in the State of Washington, it would not interfere.

Attorney Clarence E. Todd, arguing for the California State Federation of Labor, claimed that the rule in California permits such picketing, and that the claim of the plaintiffs regarding Section 923 of the Labor Code had been decided in favor of the unions in the Howard Automobile case in 1940. Todd advised that the U. S. Supreme Court had refused to rehear the Howard case, thus refusing to interfere with the California rule.

The affected Contra Costa County unions are now proceeding to carry the Pinole case to the California Supreme Court by appeal and possibly by application for a writ.

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LLPE Needs Your \$2 To Battle the Tafts Program For Jobs Is Needed Now

Washington. — AFL Labor's League for Political Education reported that Sen. Robert A. Taft's campaign slush fund is getting bigger and bigger as fat cats across the nation send in contributions.

Mr. Taft's managers will use the funds in an attempt to avoid defeat for the U. S. Senate by AFL-endorsed Joseph T. Ferguson next November.

LLPE quoted a Saturday Evening Post story that the contributions to the Taft fund "range from fat checks from the fat cats down to dollar bills from the humbler partisans."

The same kind of big money is rolling into campaigns to defeat liberals like Sen. Frank P. Graham in North Carolina and to reelect such reactionaries as Sens. Forrest C. Donnell in Missouri, Homer Capehart in Indiana, Alexander Wiley in Wisconsin, Eugene D. Milliken in Colorado.

The arch conservatives can be beaten only if the liberal groups provide the funds to do the educational job.

The AFL has asked each member to contribute \$2 to LLPE before Aug. 1 to help win the kind of Congress America needs to keep moving forward.

Have you given your \$2?

Bag of Groceries Up 95c in Decade

Washington. — The average American city dweller now pays \$1.95 for a bag of groceries that cost him \$1 in 1935-39, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

Knoxville, Tenn., was tops among 56 cities surveyed. There, a bag of groceries which would have cost \$1 in June 1940 now costs \$2.16.

Columbus, Ohio, had the lowest figure—\$1.78 for food that would have cost \$1 by 1935-39 standards.

Washington. — In spite of high current rates of production, action should be taken now against unemployment which "is serious today . . . and could be disastrous tomorrow", according to the June issue of the CIO Economic Outlook.

"The people who now cannot find jobs must be taken care of at once, and the entire level of jobs and production must be progressively raised," the bulletin said. "American democracy will not last unless it avoids the evils of mass unemployment."

Beneath the "bright surface of current production", according to the Outlook, there are "festering sores from which infection is spreading."

The CIO publication sounded its warning in the face of a chorus of claims of new production peaks coming from big business organs. Steel Facts, published by the American Iron & Steel Institute, said that during May U. S. steel concerns were "pouring more than 1.9 million tons of steel a week"—which is "more than the 1949 output of Australia, Sweden or India individually."

The Economic Outlook cited the experience of CIO unemployed delegations to Washington to show that high production rates have not provided jobs for all. The bulletin outlined the CIO's 4-point program against unemployment:

1) Unemployment compensation improvements—including federal financing of an additional 26 weeks of unemployment compensation.

2) Emergency public works—along the lines of the \$1.8 billion program proposed in a bill by Rep. Helen Douglas (D, Cal.).

3) Reestablishment of the Civilian Conservation Corps—"to provide useful job outlets for many of the nation's younger people."

4) Investment by major corporations with an eye to "the needs of many chronically depressed industrial communities."

Post Office Ordering More Gompers Stamps

Washington — That AFL "Buy Gompers Stamps" campaign has resulted in the Post Office Department ordering an additional 10,000,000 more printed showing Samuel Gompers, founder and first president of the AFL.

When the original printing of 112,000,000 stamps was placed on sale in honor of the 100th anniversary of Mr. Gompers' birth, AFL affiliates were urged to buy in quantities to stamp all mail for a year and thus keep the centennial alive.

The campaign is succeeding. Keep buying Gompers stamps!



Taft Campaign Fund Expands as Fat Cats Donate

Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., Ohio) is building up a tremendous campaign chest. And you don't have to take our word for it.

The Saturday Evening Post, which considers Taft the greatest American since McKinley, says in its June 3 issue:

"The Taft managers are in receipt of a steady stream of advice, exhortation and money from sympathizers all over the country. Many Republicans see the Ohio election as a sort of Thermopylae, with Taft holding the pass."

"They are eager to help in the fight. The contributions range from fat checks from the fat cats down to dollar bills from the humbler partisans."

"A strange phenomenon of the campaign has been the epidemic of chain letters for Taft. Each letter urges the recipient to donate a dollar to the Taft campaign, and to write 10 similar letters to his friends."

"They have popped up in every corner of the nation and brought thousands of dollar bills into Taft's Cincinnati headquarters. Taft cannot find out who started the letters, and has issued a statement disavowing and discouraging them."

"He feels that they may irritate more people than they enlist. Still the dollars come in, and Ben Tate, who is handling the Taft campaign funds, is not one to affront a supporter by sending back his dollar bill."

So Taft's slush fund gets bigger and bigger. Have you contributed your \$2 to Labor's League for Political Education?—(LLPE)

Order Study Of Farm Slaves

President Truman by executive order has established a five-man commission on migratory labor to make a broad study of conditions among migratory workers in the United States and of problems created by the migration of workers into this country. Move for the study was initiated by Rep. John Shelley of San Francisco.

Maurice T. Van Hecke, professor of law at the University of North Carolina, was named chairman of the commission. Other members are Robert E. Lucey, Catholic Bishop of San Antonio, Texas; Paul Miller, Chief, University of Minnesota Extension Service; William M. Leiserson, former chairman of the National Mediation Board and Peter H. Odegard, professor of political science, University of California.

The President's order directed the commission to study three important and related questions: These are:

1. The social, economic, health and educational conditions among migratory workers in the United States, and responsibilities now being assumed by federal, state, county and municipal authorities to alleviate conditions among these workers.

2. The problems created by the migration into the United States of alien workers for temporary employment, and the extent to which alien workers are now required to supplement the domestic labor supply.

3. The extent of illegal migration of foreign workers into the United States, and whether and how law enforcement measures may be improved to eliminate illegal migration.

In a statement accompanying the President's order it was explained that the number of migratory workers in the United States has been variously estimated at from one to five million workers; that previous studies have shown in many instances that living standards among migratory workers and their families are markedly below those of other elements in the population, and that migratory workers are frequently denied the benefits of federal, as well as state and local social legislation.

Besides the domestic migratory workers, the statement declared the United States since the war has imported farm laborers, principally from Mexico, under an international agreement last renegotiated in 1949. It declared further that a number of organizations have taken a stand against the further importation of alien workers, contending that domestic labor can fulfill the needs in the United States, while other organizations have insisted that agricultural production would suffer if employers could not fall back upon alien labor in instances where domestic labor proved to be insufficient.

The executive order directs the commission to report its findings to the President by December 15, 1950.

STRIKE CLOSES NEWSPAPER

Hundreds of Newspaper Guild of New York (CIO) members picket the World-Telegram & Sun after management forced a strike by refusing to grant union demands for wage boosts and other benefits. Refusal of AFL mechanical workers to cross the CIO picket line forced the Scripps-Howard paper to shut down for the first time in its history.

Cain, a Disgrace To the Senate

Let's get a few things straight about Sen. Harry Cain's (R., Wash.) rent control filibuster. First of all, a filibuster is undemocratic. It is an attempt to kill legislation by talking it to death.

By talking for 12 hours June 9 against rent control and delaying a vote on the issue, Cain told the American people:

"I have no faith in you. I don't like democracy. I don't trust the Senators you elected."

If Cain really believed in democracy, he would have taken a couple of hours to present his case and then let the Senate vote on a bill extending control another six months.

Secondly, Cain's anti-democratic filibuster was supported by Republican Senate leaders Robert Taft (Ohio) and Kenneth Wherry (Nebr.). Wherry ducked votes which would have ended the talkathon. And Taft didn't even show up to help end Cain's demonstration against democracy.

Cain's performance didn't surprise Washington observers. Cain is the Amos to the real estate lobby's Andy.

Herbert U. Nelson, executive vice president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, said in a recent letter to Theodore Maenner of Omaha, Wherry's 1948 campaign manager:

"I do not believe in democracy. I think it stinks . . . I don't think anyone except direct taxpayers should be allowed to vote. I don't believe women should be allowed to vote at all."

It's good to get Cain's stand against democracy on the record, too—(LLPE).

Seize Fish Nets

Confiscated purse seine nets which originally cost between \$25,000 and \$50,000 will go up in smoke as the result of a recent ruling of the California Fish and Game Commission.

The four nets were taken from commercial fishing vessels which were proved to be operating in violation of the Fish and Game Code. The fishing equipment was turned over to the commission by sentencing judges as a part of the violation penalty.

Commissioners refused to accept several bids on the confiscated nets after finding that outstanding offers fell below the amount of the bond. Two additional purse seine nets were sold at a cost above the bonding price.

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U.S. Isolationists Use Same Line as Soviet Communists

"From this side of the Atlantic, at least, it often looks as though the American isolationists and the Soviet Communists were advocating the same foreign policy—for the United States."

"The Soviet Communists say that American military aid under the North Atlantic Treaty is a militaristic threat to the Soviet Union, and they also tell western Europe that it won't amount to anything, anyway."

"The American isolationists—and I quote one of their principal senatorial spokesmen—say that American military aid is 'aggressive,' that it 'stimulates war,' and they also say that it is 'futile,' that it is no 'deterrent' to Russian aggression."

"This is exactly what Moscow wants to hear from America; it puts better ammunition in Russia's propaganda guns than Russia can possibly produce itself. These are the views Moscow hopes Europe will accept."—Roscoe Drummond in the Christian Science Monitor, June 10, 1950.

Are you listening, Senator Taft?

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Hate-Labor Lobbies Asked for Methods

Washington — The House Committee to Investigate Lobbying has called spokesmen for the nation's outstanding hate-labor lobbies to answer questions about their methods.

Committee Chairman Frank Buchanan summoned Merwin K. Hart, president National Economic Council, and Edward A. Rumely, executive secretary Committee for Constitutional Government, for further questioning on methods used by their organizations in influencing legislation before Congress.

Both men have challenged the committee's right to inquire into their activities. They have been supported and defended at committee hearings and on the House floor by anti-labor Reps. Clarence J. Brown, Ohio; Joseph P. O'Hara, Minnesota; Clare E. Hoffman, Michigan; E. E. Cox, Georgia.

Mr. Hart was due to begin answering questions at public hearings June 20.

Start Here at Home

We are living in a period where a lot of our present politicians in are giving far more attention to the governments of foreign countries than they seem disposed to give to our land. There seems to be a studied effort to divert our attention from our home problems to take up the problems of Europe and Asia.—Stockton (Calif.) Labor Journal, AFL.

Get 5c Raise

Scranton, Pa. — Unionized employees of the Scranton Transit Co. ratified a new wage contract providing a 5-cent hourly wage boost. The pact was accepted by the AFL Streetcar Men's Union.

Program for A Better Press

New York. — Responsibility for building a liberal press in the U. S. rests with the labor movement, whose own press as it exists today is not equipped to offset the influence of the newspaper monopolists.

This view was expressed in the May 26 Guild Reporter by ex-labor editor Rollin Everett, now executive secretary of the Cincinnati Newspaper Guild (CIO).

Describing the obstacles he encountered when he tried unsuccessfully to expand the Cincinnati Sun, a labor weekly, into a liberal community Sunday paper that could compete with the conservative Cincinnati press, Everett said the need for such papers exists in almost every community.

The number of newspapers in the U. S. is decreasing yearly under monopoly pressures, Everett pointed out. "The question is," he went on, "who is going to stop this collectivism and how? Democracy can exist and flourish only where there is free expression of opposing points of view, with the public making the decision after access to such expression. Certainly we should not depend upon multimillionaires turned liberal to supply these mediums of expression. We already have seen that fail."

LABOR ONLY FORCE

"The only force in America today which would seem capable of providing an adequate liberal press is the labor movement. But it cannot do so unless the leaders understand what such a press must be to become successful."

First thing they must understand, he said, is "that a successful press has to have a local appeal. Liberalism expressed on a national level will not build successful political liberalism in the cities, wards and precincts."

Suggesting that the labor movement consider setting up community papers "that will be so good and so readable that people outside as well as in labor will buy them," Everett outlined the following conditions for a successful liberal press:

1. "It would have to be an honest, though crusading, press. It would have to draw for itself a very stringent code of ethics lest it lose public confidence as the daily press has in so many places."

COVER LOCAL EVENTS

2. "It would have to delve into the life of the local community and report news and conditions in the civic and political life which were not being reported and which few citizens would want to miss when reported."

3. "It would have to borrow tried and tested reader-getting methods already used by the dailies — comics, sports columns etc."

4. "It would have to be set up with utmost financial practicality and with good business administration."

Everett proposed that the American Newspaper Guild, "in view of contraction of the field in which its members are employed, for the good of its members as well as for the sake of keeping alive means of airing differences of opinion in this nation, should study the question."

School System Needs Help, Not Hindrance

The "what-do-we-want-with-book larnin'" type of politician is blocking needed educational advances, Mrs. Herman H. Lowe, president of the Women's Auxiliaries of the American Federation of Labor, said recently.

These politicians, she said, want to cut school revenues, restrict facilities and increase the size of classes. They ignore the fact there is a great shortage of teachers and that class-rooms already are overcrowded.

Terming the situation a serious threat to the entire school system, Mrs. Lowe called for higher pay for teachers, more money for schools and Federal aid to education.

- News and Views of Women -

By POLLY EDISON (for LLPE) AMERICANS LAST

Did you realize that Americans in recent years have shown less interest in voting than have the citizens of nearly every other country in the world? In proportion of their population, two and one-half times as many Italians voted in 1946 as we did over here. If they hadn't, the Communists would now be in control. France's record is better than ours, and so is England's.

The downward trend in voting is the biggest worry of India Edwards, vice chairman of the National Democratic Committee. "It's alarming," she told us, "and that's why I spend so much time going around the country telling everybody to be sure and vote this November."

"I tell the women that it's up to them not only to vote but to get their menfolks to vote. The wives of union men have a real responsibility to raise the voting percentage of both men and women."

"I keep urging everybody to register and vote—Democrats and Republicans. The Democrats know their record and program will stand the test. The important thing is to get more Americans to the polls."

Americans never have been willing to sit by and let other countries show them up. Let's do something about it.

YES, BY ALL MEANS

Every year close to 75,000 children are adopted. Most important problem facing their parents is whether to tell the youngsters they are adopted. The experts say, "Yes, by all means." And the sooner the better, before the child hears about it from others. Three or four is not too early. Tell him you want him very much and always will, and never let him think you've changed your mind.

THOSE GRAY YEARS

All of us are living longer these days, on the average, but it seems we start wearing out about as soon as we ever did. Doctors can keep us going with penicillin and such—and stave off a lot of fatal diseases we used to have—but the worst enemies are those attitudes which keep old age from being enjoyable and useful.

Attitudes not only about jobs for older people but our own attitudes about what to do with the later years. To many of us put ourselves on the shelf long before our money jobs give out.

Now there are beginning to be experts on the subject of old age and a few doctors are starting to specialize in geriatrics, the science of aging. Some day geriatricians for older folks will be as common as pediatricians for babies.

This summer the U. S. Public Health Service is calling the first national conference on aging, to plan some of the ways to make the last third of life as happy and useful as it ought to be.

MILK AND BONES

One thing already known is that the eating habits of older people are certainly part of the reason life loses its zip. Most of them, for one thing, just stop drinking milk and so their bones stop getting new calcium. Lack of milk is one reason bones have such a hard time mending when one is old.

TENDER AND FLAVORFUL

First woman to receive a distinguished service award from the Department of Agriculture is Lucy Alexander, top flight home economist who's supervised no less than

10,000 experiments in meat and poultry cooking.

Although her finds have influenced many a cook-book, she says it's up to the individual cook to add "that something" that no recipe can tell you. Every cook, she insists, must have a spirit of adventure all her own. "Cooking is not a job," she says. "It's a fine art."

Cook slowly. Never overcook. That's her recipe for making meats plump, tender and flavorful. Use a low to moderate heat and you'll find there's more juice and less shrinkage.

If you want more details, write the Department of Agriculture for one of its bulletins on Meat and Poultry Cooking.

CORRECT THAT

Old age payments under Social Security start at 65—regardless of whether the person is wife, widow, or insured worker. No lump sum comes to a wife before than age, but if she becomes a widow when younger she can get a lump sum to help her along until she's 65.

In an earlier column we left the impression that the lump sum payment went to a wife, but it goes only to a widow.

Social Security Board workers in Indianapolis caught our mistake. We are grateful to them and to the man who tracked us down in Washington. He said their staffs everywhere are set for a real educational campaign on Social Security as soon as the extended bill taking in millions of new workers passes Congress. That shouldn't be too long now, but we'll wait to talk details until it's absolutely passed and signed by the President.

M.D. Makes Sense

Washington.—The Committee for the Nation's Health, supporting President Truman's health insurance plan, reports:

Dr. Milton Sills Lloyd, practicing physician in New York City, wrote the New York State Journal of Medicine (March 15, 1950, p. 730):

"We claim to be patronizing and promoting voluntary insurance plans and also that we are opposed to socialized medicine."

"In fact, however, socialization of medicine has been practiced by the doctors for centuries. We treat about one-half our patients for nothing and charge the other half twice or more than twice as much as would be necessary if everybody paid his way."

"In this manipulation, we actually set ourselves up as the sole arbiter in the distribution of wealth as between 2 classes of people. If a representative of the government does the same thing, we scream, 'socialism,' 'dictatorship,' and 'totalitarianism.'"

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146,000 Cal. Unionists Win Pay Increases

(State Fed. Release)

Collective bargaining negotiations in California during May brought an average increase of 7½ cents to 146,000 AFL trade unionists.

The largest group affected was the 100,000 Southern California basic building trades craftsmen with an across-the-board increase of 8 cents. The average gain for the remaining 46,000 trade unionists was 6½ cents.

The details reported below are from the labor press:

BUILDING AND METAL TRADES

Six basic crafts (laborers, cement finishers, iron workers, engineers, teamsters, carpenters), 12 So. Calif. counties, and So. Calif. Chapter of Associated General Contractors: 8 cents; effective July 10, 1950; 100,000 workers.

Electrical Workers No. 6, San Francisco, and San Francisco Electrical Contractors Assn.: 12½ cents for both inside wiremen and linemen (outside electrical workers); effective June 1, 1950; 900 workers.

Lathers No. 88, East Bay, and East Bay Lathing Contractors Association: 50 cents a day to health and welfare plan for each day worked; retroactive to March 15, 1940; 200 workers.

Lumber and Planing Mill Workers No. 3102, Santa Clara County, and employers: 5 cents, 2 paid holidays; May, 1950; 250 workers.

Lumber and Sawmill Workers No. 2564, Eureka, and Geneva Lumber Company; 7½ cents, improved vacations; May, 1950; about 150 workers.

Lumber and Sawmill Workers No. 2592, Hammond, and employers: 7½ cents to 10 cents; May, 1950; 700 workers.

Lumber and Sawmill Workers and Central Calif. employers: 5 cents, 3 paid holidays; May, 1950, 6000 workers.

Machinists Dist. Lodge No. 93, Santa Clara, and Santa Clara County Machine Shop. Employers (10 shops): 5 cents; effective May 5, 1950; 750 workers.

Ornamental Iron Workers No. 472, Bay Area, and Bay Area Metal Fabricators Assn.: 2 paid holidays and improved vacation clause; effective July 1, 1950; 1200 workers.

Painters No. 333, San Diego, and San Diego Painting and Decorating Contractors Association: 12½ cts.; effective June 15, 1950; 800 workers.

Painters No. 333 (linoleum men), San Diego, and 40 employers; 13 cents; May 5, 1950; 150 workers.

Painters, 13 locals, Bay Area, 7 counties, and Bay Area Painters Joint Council: 12½ cents; effective June 1, 1950; 12,000 workers.

Sign and Pictorial Union No. 510, San Francisco, and Display Builders and Exhibit Association: 15 cents; retroactive, April 1, 1950; 100 workers.

Structural Shopmen No. 491, Bay Area, and Employers: 2 cents, 3 ad. pd. holidays; eff. July 1, 1950; 1200 workers.

Tile Workers No. 199, Pomona, and Pomona Tile Co. 1: 2 cents and 6 pd. holidays; April 1950.

TEAMSTERS

Highway Drivers Council of Calif. (17 locals, statewide), long line and turn around drivers, and Truck Owners Assn. of Calif.: \$4 a mo. to health and welfare fund, and improved vacation clause; May 1950; 16,000-25,000 workers.

Sales Drivers No. 683, San Diego, and soft drink distributing and bottling plants; \$2 per week for drivers, 5 cents for inside workers; May 1950; (similar increase May 1951); about 350 workers.

MISCELLANEOUS—BAKERS

Bakers No. 24 and No. 119, Bay Area, and wholesale bakeries: improved work schedule of 37½ hours in 5 days, rather than 38 hours in 6 days, and 2 cents for employees on old work schedule; May 1950; 1110 workers.

Bakers No. 24, San Francisco and peninsula, and retail bakery shops: 5-day week, 8-hour day;

AUTO HINTS

Brake Failure—If your car's foot brakes fail completely advise shifting to a lower gear to obtain benefit of compression, and using the parking or emergency brake to assist in stopping the car.

Use Best Oil—Excessive sludge deposits may form in the engine crank case of your car if it is driven for long periods at high temperature. The best obtainable "premium" oil should be used under these driving conditions.

Close Air Ducts—If your car is equipped with ventilation air ducts that are designed to draw air directly from in front, it is advisable to keep these intake ducts closed when stopping behind other cars in heavy traffic or when closely following other cars, trucks or Busses. There is sufficient poisonous carbon monoxide gas in the exhaust of any car to cause asphyxiation if drawn into a closed car in quantities.

Check-up Needed—When an automobile engine is hard to start, there is an abnormal condition present which should be investigated. Difficult starting may be caused by a defect in battery, ignition or fuel pump.

More Mileage—Negotiating turns and curves at excessive speed is responsible for greater tire wear than any other tire abuse. Drivers who take curves and turns cautiously usually get twice as much mileage from their tires as the speeder can expect.

Rapid Wear—A weak automobile battery causes slow starting, and the longer it takes the engine to start, the more raw gasoline is pumped into the cylinders without being used. This excess gasoline washes the lubricating oil off the cylinder walls, thereby contributing to rapid wear of pistons, piston rings and cylinders.

Compression Loss—Seepage around your car's cylinder head gasket, cylinder head bolts or spark plugs indicates a possible compression leak. Cylinder heads should be tightened in accordance with the factory recommendations which are usually outlined in the car owner's guide, furnished by the manufacturer.

Battery Fluid—Automobile battery fluid evaporates rapidly when the generator charging rate is high. The evaporation rate is also higher in summer than in winter because of variations in temperature.

Broken Fan Belt—It is advisable to have the automobile fan belt checked each time the car is lubricated. A broken fan belt may cause burned out connecting rod bearings, or ignition trouble due to a run-down battery. Before starting on an extended automobile trip, it is a good idea to install a new fan belt and carry the old one for a spare. A new belt of proper size may not be obtainable in every locality.

Although Costa Rica is primarily a tropical country, it has an interior temperate high-elevation belt where the thermometer seldom registers below 59 degrees or over 77 degrees Fahrenheit.

eff. June 1950; 650 workers.

Bakers No. 24, San Francisco, and United Bakers Assn. (for French and Latin bakeries): 5-day week, 8-hour day, increase in night differential; 100 workers.

Bakers No. 43, Fresno, and Fresno Marcaroni Co.: 5 cents for journeymen, 3 cents for misc. workers, one ad. pd. holiday; improved vacations; May 1950; 25 workers.

Bakers No. 85, Sacramento, and 11 wholesale bakeries: 8 cents for men, 4 cents for women; improved vacation; May 1950; about 200 workers.

Bakers No. 125, Oakland and Sunshine Biscuits, Inc.: 4 cents; May 1950; 423 workers.

MISCELLANEOUS—OTHER

Butchers No. 229, San Diego, and independent wholesale packing houses: 5½ percent (7½ to 14 cents); May 1950; 200 workers.

Screen Extras Guild, Hollywood and major studios: \$6.11 per day for crowd extras, and other gains; May 1950.

Garment Workers, Los Angeles, and Mode O'Day: sick benefits (1 percent of payroll), wage inc.; May 1950.



PICK GEORGIA PEACH—Sue Carol Walker of Atlanta poses with a couple of cameras after photographers named her Miss Nat'l. Press Photographer of 1950.

Don't Cuss the Farmer if Food Costs Too Much

Don't blame the farmer because your food bill is big.

It's not what he makes that runs up the price of groceries; it's the cost of handling the foodstuffs after they have left the farm.

New York City furnishes the best example of marketing costs. Products from 44 states are handled there every day. Agriculture Department specialists have told the House Agriculture Committee that 55 cents out of every dollar a New York housewife pays for fruits and vegetables is the cost of handling those commodities after they reach the city.

Many big city markets where perishables are handled use the same methods they employed 150 years ago. This, plus the fact that railroads and truckers have raised their rates since the war, takes a huge bite out of the consumer's pocketbook.

Last year, for instance, it cost \$18.2 million to market the U. S. food supply. That was more than double the cost in 1939.

Modernized methods of processing and distributing food would lead to lower food prices. And lower food prices would mean a bigger demand for both farm products and manufactured goods.

Thus the worker would benefit along with the farmer and the housewife.—(LLPE)

N.Y. Teleg. Printers To Get Benefits

New York.—Members of Local 6, Int'l. Typographical Union (AFL), who are refusing to cross CIO picketlines at the New York World-Telegram & Sun, will receive benefits for the time lost.

Amount of compensation for the pay lost by the 280 composing room men involved has not been decided on yet, a union spokesman said. The announcement came at a Big 6 membership meeting, which also heard from Exec. Vice Pres. Thomas J. Murphy of the Newspaper Guild of New York.

The Guild struck the Scripps-Howard paper June 13 to enforce demands for a 10 percent wage increase, job security and other benefits. For the first time in its history, the paper was forced to suspend publication because the printers and other craft unions refused to cross Guild picket lines.

Another mediation session between the Guild and management was set for June 20. A previous session June 16 ended unsuccessfully when management insisted on arbitration of the major issues.

Here's How They Voted on Rent Lid

(LLPE Release)

Do your Senators and Representatives favor rent control? Check their positions on the 1950 rent legislation which the Senate passed June 12 and the House June 13.

Look at the list to see where your Representative stands: (R—right; W—wrong; NS—no stand. All Congressmen are up for reelection this year.)

California: Allen W. Anderson W., Bramblett W., Douglas R., Doyle R., Engle R., Havenner R., Hinshaw W., Hollifield R., Jackson W., Johnson W., King R., McDonough NS, McKinnon R., Miller R., Nixon NS, Phillips W., Poulson W., Scrudder W., Shelley R., Sheppard NS, Werdel W., White NS.

The Senate and House measures are similar. This is the major difference: Senators want controls extended only to January 1 while Representatives believe they should last until February 1.

Whatever the outcome, cities can extend the control program until July 1, 1951. Local extension can be passed by action of a city council or by vote of the people.

The rent control bills are fair legislation. It would have been better if Federal control had been continued another year (the present law ends June 30). But a six or seven-month extension is better than nothing for the 30 million Americans living in the 8 million homes under control.

Rent control is needed because there still is a housing shortage. Landlords can get any increases they can prove are needed to make a fair profit. High prices which apartments bring are proof landlords aren't suffering.

Social Security

Who gets the benefits?

In January about 2,742,800 checks amounting to \$56,074,000 were mailed to retired workers and their families and to families of deceased insured workers as their old-age and survivors insurance payments for December 1949.

These monthly benefit checks went to: 1,285,583 Retired Workers, 390,583 Wives of Retired Workers, 261,336 Widows age 65 or Over, 639,437 Children under age 18, 152,121 Widows under 65 Caring for Children under age 18, 13,438 Dependent Parents 65 or Over.

You and your employer are buying this same kind of insurance protection for yourself and your family.

Remember, check your rights to these benefits when you become 65. Tell your family to inquire about benefits if you should die.

For further information call at your nearest social security office.

'Risk Capital': What Are the Facts?

"Risk capital" is a fancy phrase tossed around by NAM economists, Columnist David Lawrence and Wall Street Journal editorial writers. According to them, there's a shortage of this "risk capital" stuff, which is nothing more than dollars invested in business.

Here's a typical moan about risk capital, from the June 12 "Wall Street Journal":

"... The desirable flow of savings into investment is certainly curtailed by ... the capital gains tax."

What are the facts? Turn to the May Statistical Bulletin of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The SEC reports that corporations raised \$1.4 billion in the first three months of 1950 to pay for the manufacture of such things as shoes, cars and washing machines.

How does that compare with the same period last year? The SEC says businessmen raised \$200 million more in the first quarter of 1950 than in the first quarter of 1949.

The money is obtained through sale of stocks and bonds and by borrowing. This comes under the heading of "risk capital," of course.

Thus, the facts show that all the talk about the shortage of "risk capital" is just so much more Wall Street hot air.—(LLPE)

L.A. Painters Win A Great Victory

(State Fed. Release)

The recent concluded strike of Painters District Council No. 36, Los Angeles and vicinity, brought a clear and unchallenged victory to the AFL men who downed tools for a six-week period.

N. C. Neall, business representative and strike committee chairman reports that the new agreement calls for a \$2.22 per hour base rate, which represents a 14-cent increase until October 1, 1950, at which time the rate will jump to \$2.38 per hour base rate.

Another major item of the union triumph is the new 7-hour day, 35-hour week, which will also commence as of October 1.



GRADUATES INTO FAMILY—Millions of students graduated from schools and colleges this season. But Edwin L. Bemis was unique. Waiting for him right after he received his diploma from Marquette Medical College in Wisconsin were his wife and four children. And they look plenty proud, don't they?